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SUBJECT: ROK KNOCKS ON COMMUNIST DOORS

SUMMARY: ROK PRESS HAS REPORTED THAT ROK HAS RECEIVED USSR INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN UNIVERSIAD GAMES IN MOSCOW BEGINNING AUGUST 15 AND PLANS TO SEND A 46- MAN TEAM. ROK REPRESENTATIVE HAS GOVE TO PARIS TO APPLY FOR SOVIET VISAS. GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN CAGEY ABOUT CONFIRMING INVITATION AND PLANS TO SEND TEAM, PRESUMABLY BECAUSE OF PAST DIFFICULTIES IN OBTAINING VISAS FOR ROK CITIZENS TO VISIT USSR. MEANWHILE, ROK ATTEMPTED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF MILITARY SURGEONS IN ROMANIA AND TWO ROK ARTISTS TRIED TO ATTEND INTERNATIONAL MEETING OF ARTISTS IN BULGARIA. RUMANIA NEVER RESPONDED TO VISA REQUESTS AND VISA WAS REFUSED BY BULGARIA FOR THE ARTISTS. LATER ATTEMPTS WERE NOT PUBLICIZED. ROK OBVIOUSLY HOPES TO EXPAND CONTACTS WITH COMMUNIST COUNTRIES.

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1. ROK PRESS HAS BEEN PERMITTED TO REPORT SOVIET STATEMENT THAT ROK HAD BEEN INVITED TO SEND TEAM TO UNIVERSIAD GAMES IN MOSCOW BEGINNING AUGUST 15 AND THAT ROK PLANS TO SEND 46- MAN TEAM. GOVERNMENT HAS NOT,

HOWEVER, PUBLICLY ACKNOWLEDGED THE INVITATION OR ITS
PLANS TO SEND A 46- MAN TEAM, PRESUMABLY BECAUSE IT WANTS
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